

scales of pay of the posts in respect of the following Departments have been sanctioned:—

- (1) Police.
- (2) Civil Supplies.
- (3) Co-operation.
- (4) Judicial.
- (5) Registration.

(b) The proposals in respect of the following departments are still under consideration:—

- (1) Secretariat.
- (2) Excise.
- (3) Forests.
- (4) Jails.
- (5) Education.
- (6) Medical and Public Health.
- (7) Agriculture.
- (8) Government Press.
- (9) Industries, Commerce and Labour.
- (10) Works and Buildings.

(c) No interim relief is proposed.

#### BENGAL MUNICIPAL ACT

**400. Shri Biren Dutt:** Will the Minister of States be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal for extending Bengal Municipal Act to Agartala Municipality; and

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the affirmative, what steps have been taken in the matter?

**The Minister of Home Affairs and States (Dr. Katju):** (a) and (b). The Chief Commissioner is considering in consultation with the local Municipality a proposal to extend the Bengal Municipal Act to Tripura.

#### SHIPS

**401. Shri Badshah Gupta:** Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cargo ships and passenger ships respectively belonging to the Indian companies with the date of each being put to sea;

(b) their respective costs and names of the owners;

(c) their respective routes; and

(d) the names and sea-going dates of the cargo and passenger ships owned by non-Indian nationals wholly or partially?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister:** (a) to (c). The required information is given in the statement laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VIII, annexure No. 30.]

(d) It is regretted that the required information is not available.

#### MAIZE AND MILO (PRODUCTION)

**402. Shri Ganpati Ram:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the total area under milo in different States in 1950-51 and 1951-52; and

(b) the total production of maize in different States in 1951-52 and the percentage of increase or decrease in the previous three successive years?

**The Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Karmarkar):** (a) and (b). Two statements giving the available information in respect of *jawar* and *maize* are placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VIII, annexure No. 31.] Milo is not produced in India, and its nearest equivalent is *jowar*.

#### PULSES

**403. Shri Ganpati Ram:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the total area under the cultivation of pulses in 1951-52 and 1952-53 and specially in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether the production of pulses in 1952-53 is surplus in Uttar Pradesh;

(c) if so, how much has so far been transported to the deficit areas during the current year;

(d) what is the area under soyabain and whether the production of soyabain is encouraged in some parts of the various States; and

(e) if so, what is the total additional production in India in 1952-53?

**The Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Karmarkar):** (a) Final estimates of pulses for 1951-52 have not yet become available, except for 'other Kharif pulses' which include *urad mung*, *moth*, *kulthi* etc. A statement giving the Final Estimates for these pulses and the latest available estimates for other pulses is laid on the Table of the House.

For 1952-53, no data are yet available since sowings of *kharif* pulses are at present in progress while those of *rabi* pulses will commence only after a few months.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

(d) Complete and reliable information regarding the area under soyabean in India is not available. A statement giving the available information State-wise is placed on the Table of the House.

As a result of the researches on the cultivation of soyabean crop in the Punjab carried out in 1950, the Punjab Government was asked to arrange for the multiplication of certain varieties of seeds in Kangra Valley and to subsidize their distribution to cultivators. They are since multiplying the seeds. Biochemical investigations into six varieties of soyabean were also carried out at the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore in 1950 and the results were brought to the notice of the State Governments. Further experiments on soyabean are at present in progress in West Bengal, U.P. and Mysore.

(e) Estimates of production in 1952-53 are not yet available.

#### STATEMENT I

Area under pulses 1951-52

	'000 acres	
	Gram Second Fore- cast	Tur Second Fore- cast
All India . . . . .	16,928	5,384
U.P. . . . .	6,212	1,610

	'000 acres	
	Other <i>kharif</i> pulses Final Forecast	Other <i>rabi</i> pulses First Forecast
All India . . . . .	11,115	3,750
U.P. . . . .	633	N.I.

N.I.—Data for U.P., Bihar and West Bengal do not become available at the time of the First Forecast of 'other *Rabi* Pulses' and as such are not included in all-India totals. They become available only at the time of Final Forecasts.

#### STATEMENT II

Available Estimates of Area under Soyabean  
1949-50

States	Area (Acres)
Assam . . . . .	400
Madhya Pradesh . . . . .	152
Orissa . . . . .	1,239
Uttar Pradesh . . . . .	156
Jammu & Kashmir . . . . .	994
Bhopal . . . . .	8
Coorg . . . . .	1
Other States . . . . .	N.A.

N.A.—Not available.

#### RAILWAY LINES FOR BIHAR

404. **Shri L. N. Mishra:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the proposals that the Government of Bihar made to the Government of India in course of the last five years for restoration, relaying and constructions of Railway lines in Bihar; and

(b) the steps Government have taken or propose to take, on each of the proposals?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister (Shri Satish Chandra):** (a) and (b). Proposals made by the Government of Bihar in the course of last 5 years for restoration and constructions of Railway lines in Bihar together with the steps taken or proposed to be taken on each of the proposals are shown below:—

#### Steps taken or proposed to be taken.

##### Restoration

- (1) **Tinpahar-Rajmahal.** The line has already been opened to traffic on 30-12-51.
- (2) **Bhagalpur-Mandar Hill.** The work of restoration is in progress and is expected to be completed in 1953-54.
- (3) **Parsarma-Supaul.** The section was opened to traffic on 11-5-1951.